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Response Due Date
12/14/2010

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00162339

REFERENCE: JULY MONTHLY REPORT (06/01/2010 - 06/30/2010)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 4 item(s):

1. Your report discloses a refunded contribution(s) from a federal political committee totaling \$5,000 on Schedule A supporting Line 11(c) of the Detailed Summary Page. If the check received by your committee was not cashed, you should itemize the voided check on Schedule A supporting Line 11(c) as a negative entry. Line 28(c) should be used if your committee cashed the check and wrote a refund. Please amend your report to correct this discrepancy or provide clarification regarding this transaction.
2. Your report discloses a \$2,085.30 transfer-out to the non-federal account of in-kind contributions received ("donations") from "Microsoft" on Schedule H3, supporting Line 18(a) of the Detailed Summary Page. The Commission notes your memo text: "This allocation refund is due to an In Kind receipt from Microsoft dated 3/13/2010, but not reported to us until 5/13/2010. This is a refund of the non federal portion of that In Kind for software." Your report also discloses a \$3,060.53 transfer-out to the non-federal account of in-kind contributions received ("donations") from "Microsoft" and "Professionals Aviation Company Inc" on Schedule H3, supporting Line 18(a) of the Detailed Summary Page. The Commission notes your memo text: "This is an allocation refund for the non federal portion In Kinds received from: Professional Aviation on 5/20/10 - refund = \$1,003.34; and from Microsoft on 5/25/10 - refund = 2,057.19. Copy of this check for this refund sent separately."

Pursuant to Advisory Opinion 1992-33, the Commission concluded that a party committee may accept corporate in-kind donations in connection with